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GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Department of Gram Volunteers/Ward Volunteers and Village Secretariats/ Ward Secretariats, Government of A.P.- Prosecution – Sanction under Section 199 (4) (b) of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 for filing complaint by the Public Prosecutor in a competent court of law against the Jana Sena Political Party Chief Konidela Pawan Kalyan for making baseless allegations against Gram/Ward Volunteers and Government – Accorded - Orders – Issued.

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DEPARTMENT OF GRAM VOLUNTEERS / WARD VOLUNTEERS &
VILLAGE SECRETARIATS / WARD SECRETARIATS

G.O.Rt.No.16 Dated:20.07.2023

Read the following:

1. Defamatory statements made by Jana Sena Political Party Chief Konidela Pawan Kalyan against Gram/Ward Volunteers and the Government at Eluru in Varahi Vijaya Yatra dated 09-07-2023.
2. మహిళలఅదృశ్యానికివాలంటీర్లేకారణం " caption in the headlines published on 10.07.2023 in Eenadu Telugu Daily Newspaper, Vijayawada Edition.
3. "మహిళలపైవలంటీర్లవల !– రాష్ట్రంలో 29 వేలమందిఅతివలుఅదృశ్యం" caption in the headlines published on 10.07.2023 in Andhra Jyothi Telugu Daily Newspaper, Vijayawada Edition.
4. "Volunteers involved in human trafficking: Pawan" caption in the headlines published in the Vijayawada edition of The Times of India on 10.07.2023.

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ORDER:

In the references read above, Jana Sena Political Party Chief Konidela Pawan Kalyan has made defamatory statements against the Gram/Ward Volunteers & Volunteer system and State Government of A.P. stating that the Volunteers are sole reason for the cause of missing 29,000 women according to NCRB data in Andhra Pradesh. He further alleged that, mainly single women are being targeted and information is being collected in the name of welfare schemes and the same is forwarded to anti-social elements amounting to human trafficking. Further alleged that, the volunteer system/network developed by the AP Government is involved in human trafficking and also said that volunteers who got complete data of people targeted women with financial difficulties and pushed them into trafficking. Out of the 29,000 missing women, only 14,000 women were traced by the police and remaining 16,000 women were untraced. The said defamatory statements made by Konidela Pawan Kalyan had been extensively covered in print and electronic media.

2. Whereas, as part of the decentralization of administration up to village level following the footsteps of Mahatma Gandhiji's Gram Swarajya, the Government of A.P. has taken an innovative policy decision by implementing Village/Ward Volunteer system in the State with a noble objective of delivering the government services and benefits of the welfare and development schemes to the poor people at their doorsteps in a most transparent manner without any corruption or middlemen. The Village/Ward Volunteer system introduced by the Government of AP has set an example, lauded by the poor people and stood as a role model and it is being replicated in other States.

3. When the matter stood thus, the Jana Sena Political Party Chief K. PawanKalyan suppressed the afore said facts and sacred objective of Volunteers' system, and made defamatory statements which caused substantial damage to the reputation of the Volunteers' system as well as to the State Government in the eyes of the public at large particularly caused insecurity feeling in the minds of the women in distress.

4. Government after careful examination of the matter and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 199 (4) (b) of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973, hereby accord sanction to the concerned Public Prosecutor to make a complaint before the competent Court against the individual named Konidela Pawan Kalyan, Jana Sena Political Party Chief for making Defamatory, Derogatory and Venomous statements against the Village/Ward Volunteer system and the State Government at Eluru on 09-07-2023 during his Varahi Vijaya Yatra.

Konidela Pawan Kalyan
President/Chief of Jana Sena Political Party
C/o Jana Sena Party Central Office,
Plot No.11-1402, SrilakshmiNarasimha Colony,
Mangalgiri, Guntur Dist. A.P- 522503.

5. The Public Prosecutor, Department of Gram Volunteers / Ward Volunteers & Village Secretariats / Ward Secretariats shall take immediate further action in the matter, accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

Ajay Jain IAS
Special Chief Secretary to Govt.,

To
Sri Goda Raja Babu, Govt. Pleader for Village & Ward Secretariats,
High Court of Andhra Pradesh, Amaravati, Guntur District.

Copy to:

The State Public Prosecutor, High Court of AP, Amaravati.
The Director, Gram Volunteers/Ward Volunteers and Village Secretariats/Ward Secretariats, Government of A.P., Autonagar, Vijayawada.
The PS to Spl.Chief Secretary to C.M.
The OSD to Dy.Chief Secretary for PR & RD.
The OSD to Minister for MA & UD.
The PS to CS
The PS to Spl.CS to Govt., Dept., of GV/WV&VS/WS, AP. Secretariat.

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P. Bhasi
SECTION OFFICER.